

ROMANS
 “The Miser’s Sad Tale”
 Selected Verses

Handel’s Messiah...

BACKGROUND OF TODAY’S SCRIPTURE

We know Paul wrote Romans to the church in Rome.

Inspired by the Holy Spirit...

“The constitution of universal Christianity...”

Romans was written against a backdrop of...

WHY STUDY ROMANS?

Intellectual

Doctrinal

Spiritual

Practical

Discipleship...

Theological...

Gospel...

A miser...

SEEING YOURSELF IN ROMANS

The Bible often gives us crystal clear pictures of who humanity is
 and who we are.

Hedonist...

Judgmentalist...

Legalist...

Grace-driven Christian...

A news article...

Jim Wallis and misconceptions...

January 3, 2010

10:55 AM

GREETING Tom Cabaniss

†CHORUS OF FELLOWSHIP Sanctuary SANCTUARY

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true;
 with thanksgiving, I’ll be a living sanctuary for You. *(repeat)*

WELCOME Tom Cabaniss

ANNOUNCEMENTS Nate Leonard



PRELUDE *Open the Eyes of My Heart/Be Thou My Vision* arr. Mark Hayes

INVOCATION Nate Leonard

†HYMN 208 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* BEECHER

PRAYER Tom Cabaniss

RESPONSIVE READING 692 *God’s Word* Mark Hill

†HYMN 265 *The Word of God Is Alive* PARKS
 (Our children will come forward as we sing stanza 5.)

†OFFERTORY PRAYER Nate Leonard

WORDS FOR OUR CHILDREN Haven Parrott

†OUR RESPONSE (502) *Open My Eyes, That I May See* SCOTT
*Open my eyes, that I may see Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
 Place in my hands the wonderful key That shall unclasp and set me free:
 Silently now I wait for Thee, Ready, my God, Thy will to see;
 Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

WORSHIP IN MUSIC *Seek Ye First* arr. Douglas E. Wagner
 Sanctuary Choir

MESSAGE “The Miser’s Sad Tale” Tom Cabaniss
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†HYMN OF DECISION 294 *Have Thine Own Way, Lord* ADELAIDE
*We invite your decisions today in one of the following ways: by coming forward to pray alone,
 to speak and pray with our pastor, completing one of the decision cards found in the pews
 or speaking with one of our ministers following our worship time.*

†PASTORAL BEDICTION Tom Cabaniss

†CHORAL RESPONSE *Grace, Love, and Fellowship* CANE PEAK

†POSTLUDE Danita Rickard

†Those who are able please stand.



January 3, 2010

Welcome to Kannapolis First Baptist Church!

*We are so grateful to God for leading you to this place of worship today.
 If you are a visitor, be sure to sign our fellowship pads
 as they are shared during the worship time or our guest book in the foyer
 of the church as you leave so that we might have the
 opportunity to thank you personally for worshipping with us today.*

A Prayer for the New Year

*“O God, be Thou exalted over my possessions.
 Nothing of earth’s treasures shall seem dear unto me
 if only Thou art glorified in my life.
 Be Thou exalted over my friendships.
 I am determined that Thou shalt be above all,
 though I must stand deserted and alone in the midst of the earth.
 Be Thou exalted above my comforts.
 Thou it mean the loss of bodily comforts and the carrying of heavy
 crosses, I shall keep my vow made this day before Thee.
 Be Thou exalted over my reputation.
 Make me ambitious to please Thee even if as a result I must sink
 into obscurity and my name be forgotten as a dream.
 Rise, O Lord, into Thy proper place of honor,
 above my ambitions, above my likes and dislikes,
 above my family, my health and even my life itself.
 Let me sink that Thou mayest rise above.
 Ride forth upon me as Thou didst ride into Jerusalem
 mounted upon the humble little beast, a colt, the foal of an ass,
 and let me hear the children cry to Thee,
 ‘Hosanna in the highest.’”*

A. W. Tozer

YOU HAVE MAIL!!!!



Remember to check your mailboxes outside the front of the sanctuary. Much mail still remains. After TODAY, all mail will be removed and discarded to prepare for the new year.

The Youth Leadership Team will meet TODAY at 3:00pm.

Make plans to participate in a mission trip to Antofagasta, Chile. Monday, June 21 —Wednesday, June 30, 2010. We will partner with the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship to serve in Chile. The trip will involve medical missions, construction and much, much more. There are opportunities for ANYONE on this trip...regardless of background, training or skills. Let God use you and bless you through a life-changing mission trip like this one!! Speak with Tom for more details. The deadline to sign up is TODAY. To see a promotional video go to www.youtube.com and search for "FBCK Chile Mission Trip Promo." We will have a brief information meeting at the end of worship TODAY.

Remember the importance of tithing each week. Our church's ministry and work are supported EXCLUSIVELY by the tithes and offerings of our church family. One way we express our gratitude to God for His blessings is by tithing. Also, a failure to tithe is an act of disobedience. Our church has wonderful opportunities to proclaim Christ in our community and beyond. Our giving should match these opportunities. Give your tithes faithfully and obediently.

Wednesday activities ended December 16th and will resume January 13th.

Our Baptist Men are available to help with projects around your house such as gutter cleaning, leaf raking, simple repairs and small jobs. If you need some help, speak with Jeff Joyce, our Baptist Men leader, at 704-933-6054.

Committee Sunday is January 10, 2010. If a committee you serve on is meeting, you will be contacted!

If you are interested in volunteering at Fred L. Wilson Elementary School you may sign up by calling Nancy Barbee at 704-723-9669. This is an opportunity you will find rewarding and enjoyable.

ROMANS: I AM NOT ASHAMED OF THE GOSPEL



Starting TODAY, and continuing through the middle of February 2011, Tom will preach verse by verse through the book of Romans. Often called the "Constitution of our Faith," Romans is "a sweeping panorama of God's redemptive plan from sin to salvation to sanctification. To understand the Christian life, the believer in Jesus Christ must understand the truths of the book of Romans." (David Jeremiah) Additionally, most adult Sunday School classes will study Romans, with an emphasis upon the practical application of its precepts. Why study Romans? Martin Luther gives this perspective: "It is the true masterpiece of the New Testament, and the very purest Gospel, which is well worthy and deserving that a Christian man should not only learn it by heart, word for word, but also that he should daily deal with it as the daily bread of men's souls. For it can never be too much or too well read or studied; and the more it is handled the more precious it becomes, and the better it tastes."

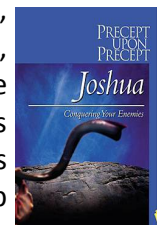
DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES COMING SOON!



Beginning Sunday evening, February 7th, "The Truth Project" DVD/Discussion groups will resume. "The Truth Project" is a Christian worldview curriculum, a systematic and comprehensive look at life (philosophy, ethics, anthropology, sociology, history, science) from God's perspective. Each lesson discusses in great detail the relevance and importance of living the Christian worldview in daily life. (Go to www.thetruthproject.org for more information.) In the fall of 2009, groups viewed and discussed lessons 1—5; on February 7th, we'll pick up with lesson 6 and continue the curriculum. Even if you did not participate in "The Truth Project" in the fall, you are VERY WELCOME to join the study in progress. (While each of the lessons is a building block in the development of the curriculum, each lesson also stands alone as a source of information, inspiration and conviction. You will benefit from and be blessed by these lessons even if you have not been a part of "The Truth Project" up to this point.)

The TRUTH PROJECT will be offered at First Baptist on Sunday evenings from 5:00pm – 6:45pm, February 7th through March 21st. CHILDCARE will be available for infants through 5-year-olds; DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING & MANNERS MATTER will be available for 1st– 6th graders.

On Wednesday, February 3rd, *Women of Himfluence* will begin an 8-week "Precept upon Precept" study of the book of Joshua. This inductive, practical study will increase your faith in the God who is WITH you, will encourage you to press on, and will embolden and encourage you to embrace the promised-land living God has purchased for us in Christ. Discussion groups will allow participants to share insights gleaned from personal study, and Haven will teach the large-group session. The study meets from 9:15am—11:15am, and childcare is available. A registration fee of \$20 includes the student book from Precept Ministries International.



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| January 3
Laura Allman
Martha Sloop | January 19
Wanda Haynes |
| January 4
Phil Bullard | January 21
Stacie Fowler |
| January 5
Earl Childers | January 23
Tiffany Garcia
Jim Miller |
| January 10
Anna Davidson | January 24
Rhett Hagler |
| January 12
Sherri Brosnahan | January 26
John Nash |
| January 13
Bill Pinnix | January 27
Daniel Helms |
| January 15
Penny Negre | January 29
Justin Kuralt |
| January 17
David Holman, Sr. | January 31
Frank Critz
Fran Sherrill |
| January 18
Graham Irvin
Patti Miller | February 1
Ben Morrison |

BUDGET REPORT THRU December 27, 2009	
Receipts	\$673,613.31
Budget	\$698,300.00
Over/(Under)	\$(24,686.69)
Building Fund	\$169,429.14

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ATTENTION — ALL THOSE WHO ARE TIRED OF DIETING !!!!



Did you know that 95% of those who diet and lose weight gain all of it back plus more? Are you tired of being on this diet roller coaster? Join us on Monday, January 11th at 6:30pm in the church parlor (second floor by elevator) and find out how you can finally lose your weight permanently. **Thin Within** teaches us how to finally turn our over-eating and over-weight condition over to God and how to approach our meals the way He intended when He created us. Come and find out if this is God's **new thing** for you! If you have questions, please call Kathy Joyce at 704-933-6054 or Patti Miller at 704-786-9079.

Thank You!

Dear First Baptist Family:
Thank you so much for all your caring kindness when Luke was born and during Emily's hospitalization. The meals, phone calls, prayers, and visits strengthened us and brought us peace. We love you and are so blessed to raise our children among you.
Daniel & Emily Wallace, Anna, Emma & Luke

THIS WEEK AT KANNAPOLIS FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, January 3
ROMAN Emphasis Begins.
Family Promise!
No Master Ringers Today.

9:45am-Sunday School
10:55am-Worship Service

3:00pm-Youth Leadership Team Meeting
5:00pm-Youth Supper & Worship

Monday, January 4
Family Promise!

Tuesday, January 5
Family Promise!
No Sr. Adult Choir

9:15am-Intercessory Prayer Group
11:00am-Round Table Book Club

6:00pm-Women's Ministry Team Mtg.

Wednesday, January 6
Family Promise!

9:15am-Beth Moore Study

Thursday, January 7

6:45am- Men's Bible study, prayer, and fellowship breakfast

Friday, January 8
Family Promise

Saturday, January 9
Family Promise

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